Heaton, Augustus G.

1908-1930

Amd Feb 8. Ref to Pr & Council

1618 17th St N.W.
Wash. D.C. Jan 29/08

To the President and Council of the A.N.S.

Dear Sirs

Upon receiving today a Catalogue of the Gold Coins of our society (of which I am a life member) I decide, in view of its incompleteness, to mention that I would be willing to sell my collections of $1. and $3. pieces - probably the best existing. - as follows

Three Dollars P. mint Complete, 23 being proofs and 13 unc. = 36 pieces 1 unc finest.
complete in all mints 44 pieces in all
S mint 5 dates & 1 var. 6 pieces complete
O " & D. mint 1. each, complete
One Dollar Gold P. mint: Complete, 46 dates & varieties
80 pieces in all 34 pieces of opposite sex mints
31 being proofs, the rest unc.
O mint 6 dates complete unc.
C " 8 " (1854 unattainable) "
D " 13 " Complete v. f to unc
S " 7 " " v f to unc

Cal. Private Mint Dollars. nearly 40 dates & varieties

N.C. issues, Ring & Eq. Hole Patterns, 12 pieces
(a few dollar coin sizes of other nations)
:= about 130 pieces illustrating our national standard coin - the Gold dollar

I cannot afford to give such a valuable collection to the society but would much regret to have it ultimately scattered at an auction and if you are interested, will make an estimate of its value and accept payment in instalments.

Some years ago I had a photograph made of this collection of one and three dollars and gave a copy to the society which may still be found framed among its effects and will better enable you to realize its completeness.

Yours very respectfully

A. G. Heaton

P.S. This is the first offer I have ever made to sell my Gold Collection, having previously declined all advances, but next to owning it, I should be most gratified to know it belonged to the A.N.A. for you could never get an equal one and could show it with pride as one of your greatest treasures.

1618 17th St N.W.
Wash D. C. Feb 10/08

Bauman L. Belden Esq
Recording Sec. A.N.S.
New York City

Dear Mr Belden

I have your favor of 8th inst acknowledging my letter of Jan 29th and asking approximate valuations in connection with bringing my offer of my gold collection to the Committee. You may mention $2300. as a round sum covering all the sets mentioned in my preceding letter. I am in no haste to sell but like to give the society the refusal of what could not be duplicated. A moderate amount down and notes for the balance would answer properly seemed. Cordially yours

A. G. Heaton

I mailed the new building just before it opened, with much interest.

Some of these coins are worth $100 each and a number in vicinity of fifty dollars. I was going to say $2500. but I like it down.

February 20 1908

A. F. Keaton Esq
1618 17th St. N.W.
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Keaton:-

Your letters of January 29th and February 10th were submitted to the Council

As there are some matters, as you understand, that would be likely to influence its decision in this matter it was decided to postpone the consideration of your offer until the next meeting.

I will advise you promptly when a decision is reached

Cordially yours

Truman H. Bartlett

Recording Secretary

THE AMERICAN NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
HISPANIC SOCIETY BUILDING
156TH STREET, WEST OF BROADWAY
NEW YORK

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ORGANIZED 1858
INCORPORATED 1865

American Insignia, comprising, first, decorations conferred by the United States Government; and by the different states and cities, for military service; second, the insignia—or badges of members and officers—of the various Military and Hereditary Societies, form a branch of American Numismatics which has not in the past received the attention it deserves.

A collection of such Insignia should be placed where it would be permanent and accessible to students of Numismatics and of American History.

Many of the societies which should be represented in such a collection have gone out of existence, and their insignia are now most difficult to obtain; others have adopted new designs, and the same difficulty confronts any effort to procure those that have been abandoned. In the future this difficulty will increase; other societies which are now active will die out, and as time goes on a collection of this kind will become of greater value and interest, and will be the means of preserving much numismatic history that might otherwise be lost.

In the Spring of 1900 this Society undertook the formation of a collection of this kind, as distinct from its collections of other American medals, and it now has, in addition to the principal Government decorations, the insignia of a majority of the more important and many of the smaller active societies, also of a number of societies which have ceased to exist. Within the narrow limits to which it is confined, this collection, probably, has no equal.

Being an incorporated body and the most important numismatic society in America, its collections are permanent; they will soon be displayed in its own fireproof building; it is, therefore, in a position to guarantee that any insignia that it may receive will not at any time go out of its possession and get into the hands of private parties. A large proportion of the insignia of military and hereditary societies in this collection were obtained direct from the respective societies, and it is hoped that societies, not now represented in the collection, which restrict the issue of their insignia to members only, will, in view of the facts stated above, waive that rule in favor of this Society.

This Committee was appointed for the purpose of carrying on this work in a thorough and systematic manner. Its success, has, so far, been most satisfactory, but there is still much to be accomplished, and it would earnestly request the co-operation of the members of the Society and of all others who are in sympathy with its efforts to preserve numismatic and historical records.

BAUMAN L. BELDEN,
GEORGE F. KUNZ,
J. SANFORD SALTUS,

Committee on American Insignia.

April 1903

A. M. Hostetter Esq.

Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. Hostetter:-

I am directed by the Council to inform you that at its last meeting it voted to accept your offer to sell to the Society your collection of gold one dollar coins.

I desire to thank you, on behalf of the Council, for giving us this opportunity.

Within the last week the Society has been most fortunate in receiving as a donation, from the American Museum of Natural History, the collection of U.S. gold coins formerly in the Museum by Mr. Joseph Pumpelly Morgan. This collection is very interesting, the one and three dollars are complete as to the Philadelphia mint, & the rest lacks only a few coins of being complete as to the branch mints. It was only thus to arrange it for exhibition but a careful examination will be made later. There are considerably over four hundred gold coins in the collection.

With many regrets I am, Dear Sir,

Very sincerely yours,

E. Merriam Peet

Recording Secretary.

1618 17th St NW.
Wash. D.C. Apr 9/08

Bannan L Belden Esq
New York

Dear Mr Belden

I have
today your courteous
letter of 7th informing
me that, owing to splen-
did acquisitions of the
society by gift the
council has decided not
to further consider the
purchase of my gold sets.

Were I a prosperous artist,
I should like to make
handsome gifts and lib-
eral subscriptions also
but, apart from the con-
sideration of being una-
ble to visit the A.N.S.
building but once or twice
a year, I need my income
for more direct personal
benefit and that of my fam-
ily and must be content
with good wishes and sin-
cere congratulations upon

all that men of combined
wealth and culture have
done for us.

very sincerely yours

A. G. Heaton

[illegible] D.C. June 08

[illegible] Esq

New York

Dear Mr [illegible]

Acting upon your
letter with this enclosed, query
about F. J Granger I (not known
of him) found his residence to be
in the most fashionable part of this
city and his business address in a
central office building
When I then decided to phone to him,
a clerk said he had gone to his summer
mer abode at Danville L. I. and that
his mail address was No 1. Broadway
So it seems as if you could now easily
afford an interview. He has been a Pres
of "The Columbia Phonograph Co." but is now
simply a director. Sincerely yours
I will try to see Cable in the
way you [illegible]

Carnegie Hall
Nov 6th 08

My dear Mr Belden.

I am glad to inform you that I have recently come to New York City to live and taken a Studio at above address where all mail matter issued by the A.N.S. can be sent henceforth.

Hoping therefore to see you before long at some meeting of the Society and from time to time during the winter I remain

yours very truly

[illegible]

February 14, 1910.

Mr. Agustus C. Heaton,
Carnegie Hall,
New York.

Dear Sir:-

I take pleasure in informing you that the Governors of this Society have appointed you a member of the Committee on United States Medals, of which Mr. Frank A. Vanderlip, National City Bank, New York, is Chairman, and Mr. George P. Kunz, C/o Messrs. Tiffany & Co., 401 Fifth Avenue, New York, is the third member.

Trusting that this will be agreeable to you, I am, believe me,

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

Feb 16th/10

Mr Bauman L Belden
Sec Amer Numis Soc
New York

Dear Sir I deeply appreciate the honor the Governors of our Society have conferred in appointing me a member of the Committee on United States Medals and will serve to the best of my ability.

Very truly yours

J. H. Heaton

Feb 23

CARNEGIE HALL
NEW YORK

Mr Barnard H Belden
Sec. A. N. C. A.

Dear Sir

I acknowledge the courtesy of the Governors of our Society in reappointing me on the Committee of U.S. Medals and will be pleased to serve if it is co operative. Very truly yours

J. G. Heaton

January 4th, 191[illegible].

[illegible],

[illegible],

[illegible].

[illegible] Dr. Boston:-

[illegible] the matter was referred to me.

I delayed taking this up with you for the reason that [illegible] collection, that we had at that time, completely filled the cases, and I put in [illegible] collection, that is here as a loan, should be returned. As these things now take up a very considerable part of the space, that we can use for temporary exhibits, and the Chinese collection will [illegible] remain for some little time longer, I have not as yet decided just what other case I can clear out to make room for your coins. It seemed, however, that it would not do to delay communicating to you on the subject, and as we frequently say in meetings "recording progress."

I think that I will be able to put away some of the things, that we now have out, very shortly, and I would be very glad [illegible]

the pieces, that you so kindly offer to loan, in one of the cases just as soon as I can arrange a case for that. In the meantime, will you kindly let us know about how many pieces there are, and whether they are of soldier size or smaller, so that I can figure on the space needed ?

I am not sure whether I would be able to arrange this in time to have that an exhibition at the annual meeting on the twentieth of this month or not. If not, I think I would be able to do so very shortly after that.

I want to take this occasion to congratulate you upon your election as President of the Numismatic Club, though I rather think that the Club is entitled to even more congratulation on securing so good a President, and I feel sure that it is entering on a most successful year. I hope to be able to attend the next meeting, and I believe to do what I can to help things along.

With kindest regards, believe me,

Very sincerely yours,

Carnegie Hall, Jan 10

Mr Bauman H Belden
Amer. Numis. Soc.

My dear Mr Belden

Your kind letter of 4th inst slipped in among some others until a clearing up this morning and I now hasten to reply.

There is no reason to exhibit the coins I have offered for such purpose until quite convenient to you and, as I spend time from Apr 1st to July 1st abroad and from July 1 to nearly Oct 1st at my summer resort in Va., I should prefer to lend them only when they can be undisturbed for three six months, if not taken for some shorter period between Oct 1st & April 1st when I am in town. The coins are about 80 in number - all silver of sizes ranging from a quarter to a half dollar of our money.

Appreciating greatly your very courteous congratulations upon my election as Pres. of the N.Y.N.C. for the current year, I am with highest regards

very sincerely yours A.G. Heaton

P.S. Thank you for your intentions of attending meetings and "helping things along" during my "administration". I shall be delighted to all interests of our Soc. N.Y.N.C.

AUTHORS' CLUB,
2, WHITEHALL COURT,
S. W.

TELEPHONE,
VICTORIA 3160 (6 LINES)

TELEGRAMS "AZYRITES, LONDON."

July 11th

My dear Mr Belden

My son who looks over my mail informs me that I have been made Chairman of the Medallion Committee (of I suppose the A.N.S.

I write to account for delay in acknowledging and to say that

I expect to reach N. Y.
early in August when
I will try to commu-
nicate with you before
taking refuge a week
later from city heat.

I have added to my
portrait coins a series
of Spanish monarchs
from Ferdinand & Isabella
down and of kings of
Prussia from Frederick
the Great and his pre-
decessor, also of Holland

M. Boudeau, the Paris
corn dealer, died during
my stay there but his
daughter and assistant
will continue the business
I was glad to read of
royal honors to Mrs Ally
Huntington in Madrid
I read today of a hot
wave in U.S. but suppose
you can be fairly com-
fortable in our A.N.S
building. With regards to
friends I am
very sincerely yours H. G. Weston

February 5th, 1913.

Mr. Augustus G. Heaton,
Carnegie Hall,
New York.

Dear Sir:-

I take pleasure in informing you that the Governors have appointed you Chairman of the Committee on United States Medals for the current year.

The other members of the Committee are Mr. Julius deLagerberd, 70 Park Avenue, Passaic, New Jersey, and Mr. Frank A. Vanderlip, National City Bank, New York.

Trusting that this will be agreeable to you, I am,

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

CARNEGIE HALL
NEW YORK

February 7th/13

Mr Barnum L. Belden
Sec. Amer. Numis Soc.

Dear Sir

I acknowledge with due appreciation your letter of 5th inst informing me of my appointment by the Governors as Chairman of the Committee on United States Medals for the current year.

If my absence in Europe from say Apr 15th or May 1st until about Aug 1st is no disqualification, I shall be glad to fulfil the duties of the position, tho' knowing now very little about them.

Very truly yours

[illegible]

January 10th, 1914.

Mr. Augustus T. Hewton,
Chairman, Committee on United States Medals,
Carnegie Hall, New York.

Dear Mr. Hewton:-

The annual meeting of the Society is on the afternoon of January 17th. Should you desire to make any report for your Committee it will be most acceptable at that time.

With kind regards, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.

April 28, 1914.

Mr. Augustus C. Heaton
Carnegie Hall,
New York.

Dear Sir:-

I am pleased to inform you that the Governors have appointed you a member of the Committee on Science [illegible] for the current year.

The other members of the Committee are Dr. F. A. Bonnaffon, United States Mint, Philadelphia, Pa. and Dr. Henri Weil, 14 East 28th Street, New York.

Trusting that this will be agreeable to you, I am,

Very truly yours,

Secretary.

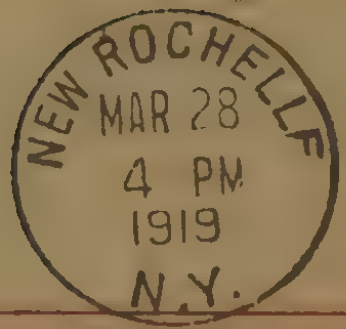
42 Davis Ave Avondale
N.Y.

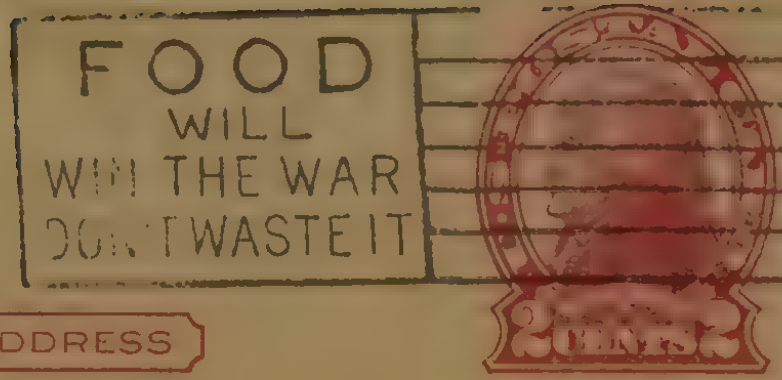
Please discontinue sending me the Amer. Journal of Numis. as I have quite given up numismatic interests, am much away, have too many books and publications already and it is a pity such an expensive volume should be thrown away. Is the copy sent me of any use to you?

Vol. LI

A. G. Eaton

March 28/17





THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

American Numismatic Society
Broadway & 155th St
New York City

March 29th, 1919.

Mr. A. C. Heaton,
42 Davis Avenue,
New Rochelle, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Heaton:-

I have your post card of the 28th and note that you can not use future copies of the Journal. Thank you for writing us - it is indeed a saving not to send the Journal under the circumstance you describe. Yes, we should be very glad to have Volume LI, which you offer to place at our disposal. If you are able to plan to attend the joint meeting of the National Sculpture Society which is being planned for April 22nd perhaps you will desire to wait and bring it with you at that time. Should you prefer to mail it however, we will gladly refund postage as soon as it is received.

Yours very truly,

Secretary.

Do you want the Numismatist discontinued?

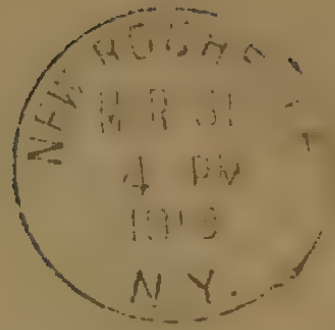
Dear Sir

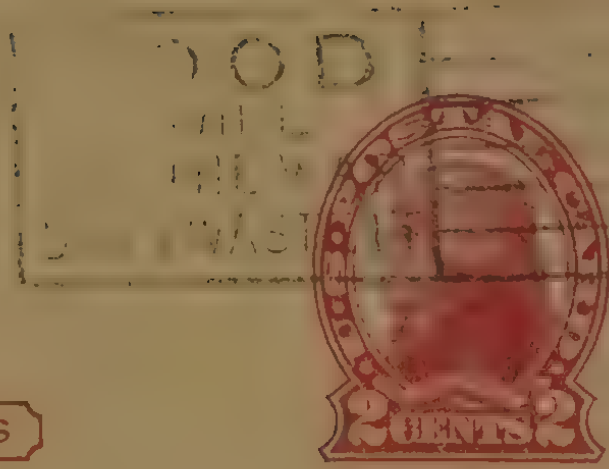
March 31st

I have your letter of 29th inst and will either take Vol. 1st of the Journal (and perhaps one or two older numbers) to the meeting of the 22nd or mail them at convenience.

New Rochelle.

H. G. Heaton





THIS SIDE OF CARD IS FOR ADDRESS

Mr Sydney P. Noe
Sec
American Numismatic Soc
In Court below 156 Tw 81st
W. Side
New York City

March 18th, 1924

A. G? Heaton, Esq.
West Palm Beach, Fla.

Dear Mr. Heaton:

Thank you for thinking of us and sending the copy of Mitteilungen für Munzsammler. We appreciate your thought for us in this connection..

I trust this will find you in good health.

Respectfully yours,

Secretary

September 9th, 1924

Mr. Augustus G. Heaton
Black Mountain, N.C.

Dear Mr. Heaton:

Many thanks for forwarding to us the two pamphlets of Mitteilungen für Munzsammler, which we shall be glad to place in our library.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Hotel Grenoble

7th Ave & 56th St

New York City

Will any one at the Society building kindly inform A.G. Heaton (who is in town at above address) if there is to be a meeting of the N.Y. Numismatic Club next Friday and where. A return mail reply would be much appreciated.

October 9th, 1924

Mr. Augustus G. Heaton
Hotel Grenoble
7th Ave. & 56th Street
New York City

Dear Mr. Heaton:

There is to be a meeting of the Numismatic Club on Friday, October 10th, at 6:30 p.m., held at 327 Fourth Avenue, New York.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

January 17th, 1925

Augustus G. Heaton, Esq.
West Palm Beach, Fla.

Dear Mr. Heaton:

Thank you very much for the German periodical, of which we have received two numbers. We are very glad to have these for our library.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Jan 26/25

Mr Sydney P Noe
Sec. A.N.S. New York

Dear Mr Noe

I have lately received your polite acknowledgement of two numbers of a German Numismatic periodical I receive at times.

But, as it comes without my request and I have no use for it and cannot read or write German, I suggest you writing direct to the editor who would undoubtedly take pleasure in supplying the A.N.S. regularly

Yours very truly
Y G Heaton

P.S. I would gladly continue to send you such copies as come to me (from my interest in the Society) but do not receive the papers regularly and you would be sure of getting it by direct request.

One regret of my long winter residence here is having absent from the meetings of the Society. One is cut off here from every thing but spend thrifts, swallows and balmy weather.

October 6th, 1925

A. C. Heaton, Esq.
Hotel Belvidere
Baltimore, Md.

Dear Mr. Heaton:

I am enclosing ournotification card for the meeting of the Club on Friday next, which will give you the information you desire.

Very truly yours,

Secretary

Enc.

Hotel Grenoble
Seventh Avenue at 55th Street
New York
TELEPHONE: CIRCLE 0909

Oct 28th

My dear Mr Newell

I should greatly like to contribute to a fund for the purchase of the Indian Medals you mention under date of 23rd

But an operation on my grandson at a Baltimore hospital recently has run in bills amounting to nearly $800. and I can afford no other than necessary Expenses

Very truly yours

A. G. Heaton

April 2, 1930

A. C. Heaton, Esq.
West Palm Beach
Florida

Dear Mr. Heaton:

Your letter addressed to me and telling of the honor that has come to you in the form of a medal struck by the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, has been received. As I am no longer a member of the New York Club, I have asked Mr. Newell, the President of our Society, with whom you are doubtless acquainted, to convey the information in your letter to the members of the Club at its next meeting.

When you come in the fall, I trust you will give us the pleasure of welcoming you in our new building.

Very sincerely yours,

Secretary.